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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on December 15, 2008. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal.

Application No. 09/896,922

Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing.

REPLY TO EXAMINER'S ANSWER AND REQUEST
TO REOPEN PROSECUTION

Appellants filed a Request to Reopen Prosecution dated September 23, 2008. There is no indication on the record that the Examiner has considered the above document.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) consider the Request to Reopen Prosecution filed September 23, 2008 as required; and
- 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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